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Subject:

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MEDIA

Additional coverage of Environmental Justice event in Alameda (Michele Huitric)

- The Pioneer (CSU East Bay): The ugly side of the beauty industry
- AsAMNews: Nail Salons Get Help Protecting Workers from Toxic Chemicals
- KoreaTimes: AHS receives U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Fund (translated version)

The Pioneer (CSU East Bay): Managing Editor Kali Persall wrote an article about the recent EJ grant event in Alameda. Contacted reporter to request that she clarify that U.S. EPA had awarded the grant, versus CalEPA; reporter updated article. SF (v) CLOSED: Michele Huitric

Media coverage of \$28 million tribal grant funding announcement (Soledad Calvino/Michele Huitric)

The Pioneer (CSU East Bay): EPA grants California tribes \$28 million for environmental projects

San Francisco State University: Journalism student Alena Naiden has questions about the Hunters Point Naval Shipyard cleanup, with a focus on Tetra Tech's involvement. Sent written response. SF (v) CLOSED: Michele Huitric

News coverage on yesterday's "Trash Free Waters" event in Tijuana (Soledad Calvino):

- The San Diego Tribune: <u>Tijuana restaurants pioneer 'ocean friendly' practices</u> -*Hector Aguirre quoted. In Spanish
- El Sol de Tijuana: Certifican a restaurantes como "Amigos del Mar"

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- SanDiegoRed.com: Una decena de restaurantes en Playas de Tijuana dejará de utilizar desechables
- UniMexicali.com: Certifican a restaurantes de Playas de Tijuana como 'Amigos de Mar'

Arizona Daily Sun: Reporter Emery Cowan has questions on NTUA action. Reporter cited a Texas A&M study stating the EPA does not take enforcement actions on tribes despite violations, sent reporter 1984 EPA Indian Policy memo link and referred questions about national enforcement policy on Indian land to HQ, sent reporter responses to questions on NTUA action: CLOSED Contact: Margot Perez-Sullivan (v) ENF

WEB & SOCIAL

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Social Media:

Worker Protection Standard – Posted to our <u>Twitter</u> and <u>Facebook</u> pages about the new standard and linked to an In the Moment video, <u>Pesticide Safety for Farmworkers</u>, featuring Amy Miller and Jim Jones doing outreach at the farmworkers appreciation breakfast in Imperial Valley.

Web Updates:

Regional Administrator – Published a new photo of Alexis Strauss on our Regional Administrator page.

9online Updates:

News this Week – Highlighted the latest edition of Regional Spotlight profiling the <u>Pflueger Team</u>, the recently updated <u>Labor Management Partnership Council page</u>, and a reminder about Monday's deadline for <u>Benefits Open Season</u>.

CONGRESSIONAL & INTERGOVERNMENTAL

Continuing Resolution (CR) Update: The House passed a stopgap spending bill, 326-96, aimed at staving off a government shutdown on Friday. But a blockade by coal country Democrats in the Senate means there could still be a brief shutdown over the weekend. The measure would keep the government funded until April 28th of next year. Link to continuing resolution (CR) text: http://docs.house.gov/billsthisweek/20161205/CPRT-114-HPRT-RU00-SAHR2028.pdf Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation Act: The House voted 360-61 to pass the water resources bill, the "Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation Act," s. 612. The measure authorizes \$120 million to help Flint, Mich., recover from lead contamination in its water supply and would provide hundreds of millions of dollars more to reduce lead in other water systems. The bill's Senate prospects remain muddied by scattered opposition to a California drought relief package added by House Majority Leader Kevin McCarthy.

Rep. Lucille Roybal-Allard (D-CA-40: Brent Maier received an inquiry from Adam Sachs in the Congresswoman's DC office who asked if EPA might be able provide some information on EPA involvement in the hexavalent chromium issue in Paramount, California according to a Los Angeles Times <u>article</u> which mentions some U.S. EPA involvement. Brent has offered up a call for Thursday, December 15th at 10:00am – 10:45am PT (1:00pm – 1:45pm) with Joel Jones, Assistant Director in our Enforcement Division and Amy Zimpfer, Associate Director in our Air Division. Link to article: http://www.latimes.com/local/lanow/la-me-In-paramount-pollution-history-20161130-story.html

Congressional Outreach on Gold King Mine Cooperative Agreement Decision Letter for Navajo Nation: At the request of our Superfund Division, Brent Maier called Congressional staff in the offices of Senators John McCain and Jeff Flake and Rep. Ann Kirkpatrick and also shared a PDF copy of our letter to the Navajo Nation outlining the allowable response costs that EPA reimbursed for the Gold King Mine Release and certain costs that were disallowed. Brent also shared out letter to the Navajo Nation with the Utah and Colorado Congressional Members whose State/Districts include the Navajo Nation.

Sen. Harry Reid Farewell Address: https://reid.enews.senate.gov/mail/util.cfm?gpiv=2100139687.4152.22&gen=1 A very interesting read.

Sen. Barbara Boxer Farewell Address: https://www.boxer.senate.gov/?p=release&id=3366 Video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aA8BeXjYr5U&feature=youtu.be

Legislative Action:

December 6, 2016 – Introduced - S. 3508: A bill to prohibit the Secretary of Energy and the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency from considering the social cost of carbon, the social cost of methane, the social cost of nitrous oxide, or the social cost of any other gre. Sponsor: Sen. James Lankford [R-OK]. This bill was referred to the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works which will consider it before sending it to the Senate floor for consideration.

December 7, 2016 - Bill Text - <u>H.R. 3764: Tribal Recognition Act of 2015</u>. This bill's text for status *Reported by House Committee* (Dec 7, 2016) is now available.

Upcoming Congressional and Intergovernmental Meetings:

Tuesday - Wednesday, January 17 – 18, 2017 - US Conference of Mayors to Convene in January 2017: USCM's 85th Annual Winter Meeting will convene in Washington, DC January 17th – 19th. Mayor Mick Cornett (Oklahoma City, OK) serves as President. Mayors Mitch Landrieu (New Orleans, LA), and Stephen K. Benjamin (Columbia, SC) are Vice President and Second Vice President, respectively. Policy Committees and Task Forces will convene during the conference. Resolutions are not considered during the Winter Meeting; however, the conference provides an opportunity for the mayors to hear from Administration officials and key federal agency program staff. The Mayors Water Council will meet on Tuesday, January 17th, and will be extending an invitation to the Assistant Administrator for Water to engage with the Task Force. Mayors Joy Cooper (Hallandale Beach, FL), and Jill Techel (Napa, CA), serve as Co-Chairs. The Environment Committee (Mayor Greg Stanton, Phoenix, AZ, Chair) will meet on Wednesday, January 18th. USCM staff will confirm any federal agency representatives the committee is interested in inviting across the administration, including EPA. OIR will manage EPA's participation in the Winter Meeting, including all invitations for speakers or private meetings. OCIR Contact: M. Arnita Hannon Christmon